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Office of the Governor

John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
NORTH DAKOTA FIGHTS BACK AGAINST CANCER
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WHEREAS, cancer is the second leading cause of death in the United States; and


WHEREAS, this year, more than 3,000 new cases of cancer will be diagnosed in North Dakota, resulting in more than 1,200 deaths; and

WHEREAS, the Cancer Action Network, advocacy partner of the American Cancer Society, supports evidence-based policy and legislative solutions designed to eliminate cancer as a major health problem; and

WHEREAS, the Fight Back Express, a mobile campaign, will travel the country, stopping in hundreds of communities to build the movement to make cancer issues a national priority; and

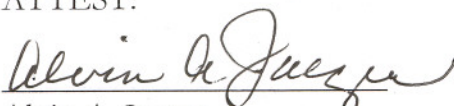
WHEREAS, North Dakota will celebrate the arrival of the Fight Back Express with events in Minot, Rugby, Devils Lake, Grand Forks, Fargo, Valley City, Jamestown, Bismarck, New Salem and Dickinson, where residents can hear stories from cancer patients, survivors and family members and sign the bus in honor of loved ones who lost their battle with cancer or who are living as survivors from the disease.

NOW, THEREFORE, as Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim North Dakota's support in fighting back against cancer and continuing to make cancer issues a national priority.

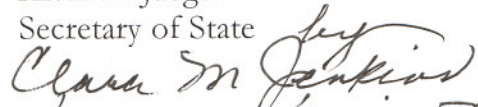


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